



## Blair Basden Gillespie

March 12, 1988 - October 30, 2015

Blair Basden Gillespie, 27, departed this life Friday October 30, 2015 at Wake Forest Baptist Hospital in Winston-Salem North Carolina. She had been in declining health for one and one-half years.

Born March 12, 1988 in Danville, she was the daughter of James and Beverly Gillespie. She graduated from George Washington High School in 2006, where she was a member of the GW Eagle Girls Softball Team. In 2003, the team won the Western Valley District Championship. Blair loved any sport, but softball was her favorite. Blair played Diamond Fever Softball for 4 years and pitched for the team that went to the World Series. Blair participated on the Blue Ridge Gymnastics Team. She also played soccer and attended Martha Fowlkes School of Dance. Blair graduated from Ferrum College in 2010 with a Bachelor's Degree in Health Sciences. Upon graduation, she won a full scholarship to Jefferson College of Health Sciences, graduating in 2011 as a Clinical Laboratory Scientist and was given a special award for Phlebotomy Rotation. She worked at Wesley-Long Hospital in Greensboro until her health began to fail.

She was a member of Ferry Road Friends Church. She was always helping her friends while she was working. She loved doing something special for any occasion to help her family and friends.

She was predeceased by her grandparents, Phil and Doris Basden and Leonard and Ann Gillespie.

In addition to her parents, Blair is survived by her special brother, Hart Gillespie of Durham, North Carolina. She is also survived by uncles and aunts, Tim Basden and wife Marilyn, Carolyn Ashby and husband Jeff, Wallace Gillespie and wife, Gayle, and Donna Adkins and husband Mike, great uncle and aunt, Winston Aron and wife Loretta. Also surviving are many cousins and her special pets, Whitey, Face, Boots, Woofie and Jack.

The family will receive friends at Wrenn-Yeatts, Westover Chapel on Tuesday, November 3, 2015 from 1 – 2 p.m. with Funeral services at 2:00 p.m. Interment will follow in Mountain View Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Mountain View Cemetery

Danville, VA 24541

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 3. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel  
5858 Riverside Drive  
Danville, VA 24541  
(434) 793-5511  
info@wrenn-yeatts.com  
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## Memorial Service

NOV 3. 2:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

TD

“ *OMG, I had no idea she was sick. I remember her from Woodberry Hills Elementary and then at GW a class behind me. A wonderful softball player and spirit. I always regretted not getting to know her better after knowing her so many years off and on. I am too stunned and saddened to learn a piece of sunshine has faded to Heaven. She blessed so many in so little time. I know despite her dash no extending as nearly long as it should she will touch lives for decades to come. My thoughts and prayers are with you all today and beyond. God bless Blair and all she means to so many.*

Trey Dodson - November 03, 2015 at 09:00 PM

TD

*Wow, I never knew we shared a birthday 1 year a part. Rest well, Blair.*

Trey Dodson - November 03, 2015 at 09:33 PM

TD

“ *Trey Dodson lit a candle in memory of Blair Basden Gillespie*



Trey Dodson - November 03, 2015 at 08:54 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Blair Basden Gillespie.*



November 03, 2015 at 08:32 AM

SG

“ To the Gillespie Family,

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. Our hearts are heavy and we are sadden along with you as Blair was a just like a member of our family. She and Kendra played on the same softball team for many years. We are sorry that we didn't get to see you all have they graduated but we have a lot of memories that will forever live on in our hearts.*

*May God continue to Bless and Be with each of you.*

*Love,*

*Sherry, Kendra & KJ*

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**Sherry Gordon** - November 02, 2015 at 03:57 PM

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“ Reena Patel (CIT) purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Blair Basden Gillespie.



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**Reena Patel (CIT)** - November 02, 2015 at 02:12 PM

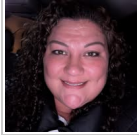
JC

“ I'm so sorry for your loss Beverly.



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**Julie Cunningham** - November 01, 2015 at 04:17 PM



“ Blair was such a smart, loving, and bright young woman. She is so out going and we could talk for hours. Although so many miles had separated us for our whole lives, she will always be a best friend and cousin of mine. We never let the distance between us pull us apart. We enjoyed each others company greatly. I love her so much and can't believe we won't see her beautiful face again. I love you very much Jimmy, Beverly, and Hart and so sorry for our/ your loss. Blair was one of a kind and will be greatly missed.



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**Ashley Green** - November 01, 2015 at 02:42 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Blair Basden Gillespie.



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November 01, 2015 at 02:08 PM



“ Jessica Mcconnell lit a candle in memory of Blair Basden Gillespie



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**jessica mcconnell** - November 01, 2015 at 01:02 PM

CG

“ *Winston and Loretta and the family, I certainly extend my deepest sympathy in the loss of such a beautiful young lady. I know it is so hard but the Good Lord will certainly be with all of you at this particular time.*

*Cynthia Wilson Guill*

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**Cynthia Wilson Guill** - November 01, 2015 at 12:32 PM

IS

“ *Isabelle Salmons lit a candle in memory of Blair Basden Gillespie*



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**Isabelle Salmons** - November 01, 2015 at 12:18 PM

SC

“ *Jimmy & Beverly, our hearts are broken with this loss. I can't imagine what you guys are feeling right now. There are just no words I can say besides God is by your side as you go through this terrible time in your lives. God Bless You. I have so many sweet memories of this precious little soul running around the fields as we sat watching our boys. I will always remember those times we had together, she was a precious girl?*



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**Shauna & Mike Clay** - November 01, 2015 at 10:14 AM



“ *Condolences from Shad and Sandy Newton and family...*



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**Shad Newton** - November 01, 2015 at 09:34 AM

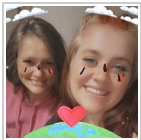
DM

“ *Dot Mitchell lit a candle in memory of Blair Basden Gillespie*



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**dot mitchell** - November 01, 2015 at 08:42 AM



“ *Hart I never met your sister...but my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family... I know she is resting easy now with God..*



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**Rachel Potter** - November 01, 2015 at 08:40 AM

AN

“ Jimmy, Beverly and Hart, Words can not express my sadness in hearing of the passing for Blair. I remember Blair running around to soccer field as Hart and Steven played on the Danville City League and Traveling teams. She was such a sweet and funny girl. I watched her play softball and will always remember that beautiful smile. I'm still in shock over hearing she is no longer with us on this earth. She will always be with us in our memories and our heart. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this sad time in your life.



*The Bowers Family,  
Jeff, Angie, Chris and Steven*

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**Angie** - November 01, 2015 at 07:48 AM

CH

*Words can't express.. While her brother and I played the field she cheered us on each game.. Sorry for the loss of your angel Beverly and Jimmy.. And your little sister Hart*

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**Clifton Henry** - November 01, 2015 at 09:00 AM

LH

“ Thoughts and prayers...



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**liz Harris** - October 31, 2015 at 05:59 PM

TL

“ *Teresa Lawless lit a candle in memory of Blair  
Basden Gillespie*



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**Teresa Lawless** - October 31, 2015 at 03:26 PM